

# Historical and Cultural Affairs

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## News

### Johnson Victrola Museum volunteers are recipients of Governor's Outstanding Volunteer Awards

Five volunteers have contributed more than 3,000 hours of service to the museum.

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Volunteer staff of the Johnson Victrola Museum honored at the 2015 Governor's Outstanding Volunteer Awards ceremony. From left: volunteers Howard Fulcher, Arnold Leftwich and Jim Schilling, and Gov. Jack Markell.

### Gov. Markell to pardon abolitionist Samuel D. Burris on Nov. 2, 2015

Ceremony to take place at Dover's Old State House.

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### Tell-Tale-Heart murder trial to take place in The Old State House on Oct. 31, 2015

Four additional free Halloween-related events to also take place at the state's museums.

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### Division to sponsor 16 special events during November 2015

Highlights of the month include Gov. Markell's pardon of abolitionist Samuel D. Burris, the Old Sussex County Court House and candle dipping.

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# Help Save Delaware History

## **Rehoboth Inc. replacing historic cottages**

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Oct. 15, 2015

Classic beach bungalows of Lewes and Rehoboth are increasingly facing demolition.

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## **Museum Sponsors Preservation Delaware Workshop**

MilfordLIVE—Sept. 29, 2015

Article on public meeting held at the Milford Museum in preparation for the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act.

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## **“Preserving Our Past for a Better Future: Delaware’s Historic Preservation Plan, 2013–2017”**

Document provides a roadmap for focusing on the broad goals and needs of Delaware's preservation community.

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## Media Roundup

The following Delaware history-related article have recently appeared in the media:

### [Programs set Nov. 2, 7, 14 to highlight Delaware history and culture](#)

Cape Gazette, Lewes, Del.—Oct. 23, 2015

Programs highlight southern Delaware activities.

### [Former Nanticoke chief dies](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.,—Oct. 15, 2015

Kenneth S. "Red Deer" Clark, Sr. was 84.

### [Out of the Attic: The Cooch house - Part 3](#)

Newark Post, Del.—Oct. 6, 2015

Site south of Newark was the location of the only Revolutionary War battle fought on Delaware soil.

### [Delaware state museums to offer programs for African American History Month](#)

Dover Post, Del.—Oct. 2, 2015

Nine programs to be offered in February 2016.

## **Articles on Gov. Markell’s pardoning of Delaware abolitionist Samuel D. Burris**

Ceremony to take place on Nov. 2, 2015 at The Old State House.

### [Gov. Markell to pardon Underground Railroad conductor](#)

WDDE Radio, Dover, Del.—Oct. 22, 2015

### [Delaware governor to pardon man who helped slaves escape](#)

Newsworks, WHYY TV, Philadelphia, Pa.—Oct. 21, 2015

### [Delaware to posthumously pardon man who helped slaves escape on the Underground Railroad](#)

PBS Newshour, New York, N.Y.—Oct. 21, 2015

### [Pardon set for anti-slavery hero](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.,—Oct. 21, 2015

### [Man who helped slaves escape to be pardoned in Delaware](#)

Associated Press, New York, N.Y.—Oct. 20, 2015

## Articles on fire in Legislative Hall

Reports note threats to division-maintained historical portraits, artifacts and furnishings throughout Delaware's capitol building.

[Dover's landmarks present fire-fighting challenges](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Oct. 24, 2015

[Paintings damaged in Delaware capitol fire given new life](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.,—Oct. 24, 2015

[Artwork damaged in Legislative Hall fire](#)

News Journal, Wilmington, Del.—Oct. 15, 2015

[Fire damages Legislative Hall, building evacuated](#)

Delaware State News, Dover, Del.—Oct. 7, 2015

[PHOTOS: Dover's Legislative Hall evacuated following 2-alarm fire department response](#)

WDEL Radio, Wilmington, Del.—Oct. 7, 2015

## Events

### **Tuesday, Oct. 27**

Legend of Sleepy Hollow – New Castle Court House Museum

### **Wednesday, Oct. 28**

Courage and Freedom – Old State House

Video Interviews With People Who Remember – New Castle Arsenal

### **Saturday, Oct. 31**

Spooky Sounds – Johnson Victrola Museum

River Towns Ride and Festival – New Castle Court House Museum

Mysteries of History – Zwaanendael Museum

Halloween at The Old State House – Old State House

Edgar Allan Poe at The Old State House – Old State House

### **Monday, Nov. 2**

Pardon Ceremony for Delaware Abolitionist Samuel D. Burris – Old State House

### **Wednesday, Nov. 4**

Hale-Byrnes Open House – Hale-Byrnes House

The Trial of William White – Old State House

What New Castle Boy Became Adjutant General Under Lincoln – New Castle Arsenal

### **Thursdays, Nov. 5, 12 and 19**

John Dickinson's Birthday Month – John Dickinson Plantation

### **Friday, Nov. 6 to Sunday, Nov. 8**

Delaware Lighthouse Weekend Package – Indian River Life-Saving Station

**Saturday, Nov. 7**

18th Century Market Fair – Dover Green

Some Like Classical – Johnson Victrola Museum

Preservation 50: Voices From the Past – Zwaanendael Museum

**Tuesday, Nov. 10**

Veteran's Walking Tour – New Castle Court House Museum

**Wednesday, Nov. 11**

The Man and His Machines: The Power of Music – Johnson Victrola Museum

McLane and Washington – Old State House

How Many Layers Are There Underneath a Lady's Skirt – New Castle Arsenal

**Thursday, Nov. 12**

Songs by Sinatra – Darley House

**Saturday, Nov. 14**

Bayberry Candle Workshop – John Dickinson Plantation

Dutch-American Heritage Day – Zwaanendael Museum

Light Me Up! – John Dickinson Plantation

Demonstrations by the Thistledown Fiber Arts Guild – John Dickinson Plantation

The Farmer's Year – Hale-Byrnes House

**Sunday, Nov. 15**

An American Bonaparte – Hale-Byrnes House

**Wednesday, Nov. 18**

Audience's Pick – New Castle Arsenal

**Saturday, Nov. 21**

Running of the Mill – Abbott's Mill Nature Center

**Saturday, Nov. 28**

Handmade for the Holidays – John Dickinson Plantation

For a comprehensive, long-term calendar of division-sponsored events, [go here](#).

## Exhibits and Displays

**Ongoing**

[Delaware and the War of 1812](#) – Zwaanendael Museum

Delaware Mourns Lincoln: A Demonstration of Love and Sorrow – The Old State House

Discovering Delaware's Maritime Past – Zwaanendael Museum

[Emeline Hawkins: Her Journey from Slavery to Freedom on the Underground Railroad](#) – New Castle Court House Museum

Middletown Goes To War – Middletown Historical Society

Sculpture by Charles Parks – New Castle Court House Museum

A Seaborne Citizenry: The DeBraak and Its Atlantic World – Zwaanendael Museum

Simple Machines – John Dickinson Plantation

World War II Through the Lens of William D. Willis – Legislative Hall



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